



September 13, 2011  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## City Plans Tire Sweep at Walnut Creek

*Volunteers needed to help with cleanup*

CANAL WINCHESTER – The City of Canal Winchester Storm Water Department will hold its fourth annual tire sweep and creek cleanup along Walnut Creek from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on October 8. City staff will work with volunteers to remove tires in the Walnut Creek basin from Indian Trail Elementary School to Walnut Woods Metro Park at Richardson Road.

The event is being coordinated through the City of Canal Winchester Storm Water Department, Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks and The Walnut Action Group. Metro Parks has graciously agreed to dispose of the tires collected by volunteers.

Some of the group will meet at the Metro Parks office at 6723 Lithopolis Road at 8:00am; others may simply enter the creek bed at several designated locations. If you have a canoe or small boat, you can enter the stream at Richardson Road (east of the bridge), Lithopolis Road (east of the bridge) or streamside behind Indian Trail Elementary School on Gender Road. Contact Dick Miller, Canal Winchester Urban Forester at [dmiller@canalwinchesterohio.gov](mailto:dmiller@canalwinchesterohio.gov) or 614-834-5100 x 110 for further details.

According to Matt Peoples, Director of Public Service for the City of Canal Winchester, “Tire dumping in the area has decreased due to the success of public awareness campaigns. Events such as this also help us meet our EPA requirements for our storm water utility.”